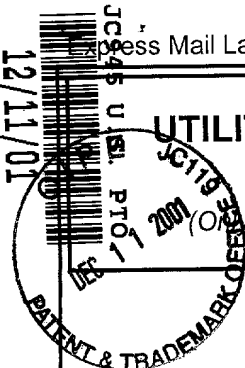


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VARIABLE HYDRAULIC VALVE DRIVE

and invented by:

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 - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable)
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 - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
 - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
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3. ☒ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)

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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,
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5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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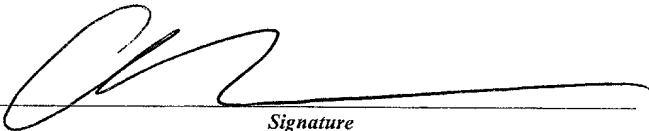
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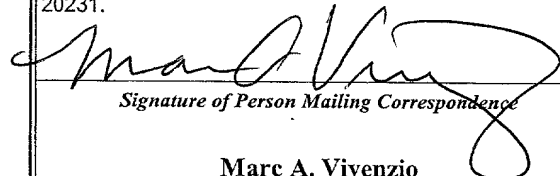

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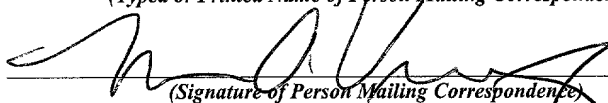
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